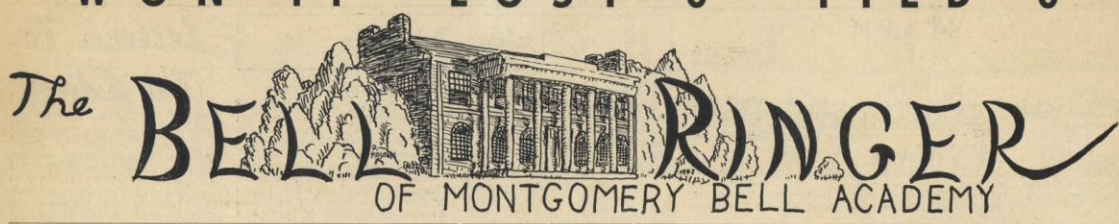


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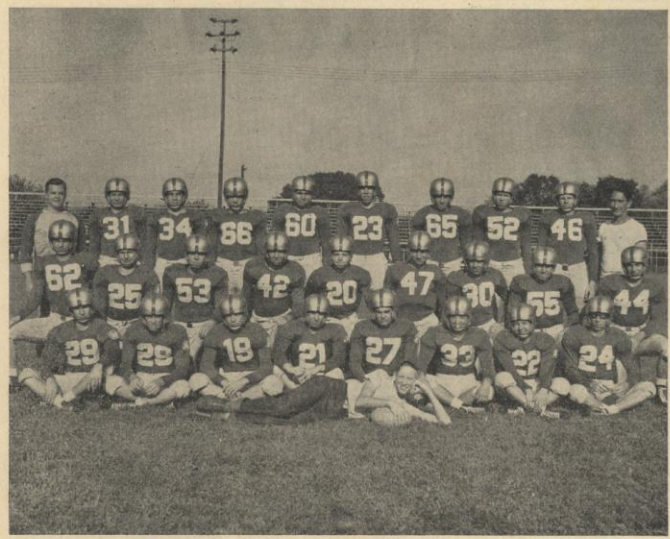
M.B.A. Takes Litton, AA Trophy

By BLUE LARUE

(Ed. Note) This column appears through the courtesy of R. L. Sager, Chief Censor . . . 'Tis rumored that Truman doesn't make a move of late without first consulting Admiral Blackie. Upon learning of "Davy Jones" appointment to Annapolis, Nimitz and Halsey were heard to shriek: "Oh, no, not him. We're deserting to Slobbovia!" . . . Price disappointed to learn that he Maharaja of Nagador was not named in the recent movie shown in assembly. Explanation: Since they took all of his rubies and pearls, he had nothing left to film . . . Dr. R. T. Chickenhouse explains his failure to predict a single score right on last week's parlay cards: "Aw gee, fellows, I did get one right the week before." . . . Frank (Which way did he go?) Bainbridge, loses his way between Study Hall and the Gym. Mrs. D. loans him for compass and St. Bernard . . . Big blast rock Study Hall. Horn found hiding in dungeon. Exclaims: "I was framed!" . . . F. "Tyronne" McDaniel finds midget in spaghetti at Homecoming Dinner. Waitress calms him saying, "Don't shout, everyone else will want one too." . . . Billiard business booms as the Academy has half holiday . . . Brooks speedily losing weight. Now tips scales at chubby 203. Rhodes takes up barbells. Tips scales at 203 . . . Students (7) sit enthralled as J.C.R. croons in assembly. "Killer" Watts and the I race brothers clamor for opportunity to air their talents . . . "Bring 'em back alive" Sloan tells of Bull Shooting Expedition . . . Marion Smith gets Kerry Drake complex. Goes into "Penny-Weighting" business. . . "Brains" Harrison racks up 98 in Arithmetic . . . Microbes consider challenging Junior Varsity. H.A.H. plots to flunk all of next year's general science class . . . Van Arsdale enters National Guard. Russia finds out. U. S. steps up preparedness program . . . Juniors hot hayride (?) . . . Gibbs drinks hard cider. Screams, "I get a kick out of you." Jealous Seniors calmly blow their top . . . Despite his low standing, Milam still claims that he is Demerit King of M.B.A. and anyone wishing that title will have to fight it out to the last day . . . Tickets now on sale for the Blackburn vs. Younger debate. Topic: "My Political Views and the Coming War" . . . Question of month: Why do the Sophomores call their English teacher "Tex"? Come on, Tex, fess up. . . Mr. Blackburn offers three 100's to anyone joining the National Guard . . . What ever became of Mrs. B.'s between-bells tests . . . Junior School wonders: "What exactly is a parlay card?" Seniors wish they had never heard of them . . . I do hope that the censors leave at least a little of the paper this time. It'd be terrible to turn out four blank pages again . . . What ever happened to "Hoos from the Owl's Nest"? . . . Hawkins frightened upon finding ferocious tiger in



Blue LaRue



Your Maroons

Bill Bryan—A reserve end with one more year at M.B.A., Bill Bryan is a good passer who could be shifted to quarterback next year. Popular, a good student, Bill is president of the junior class.

Bob McNeilly—Junior reserve center who appears to be a sure starter in '49 with the graduation of Don Wade, Bob McNeilly is a hard tackle with abilities which might get him the line backing assignment as well. An excellent student, he is secretary of the Junior class.

Wilbur Creighton—Wilbur Creighton, a blocking back in 1947, has been shifted to fullback in the T formation and alternates at that post with Jimmy Ray, also kicking off for the Big Red. Wilbur ranks high academically and is a senior honor council representative.

John Roberts—A stalwart in the forward wall, John Roberts has helped the team roll up the city's best defensive record. A senior playing his second year as a regular tackle, he is also a catcher on the baseball team.

Billy Price—Well known for his lively wit and sense of humor, Billy Price has romped through ten games this year to become one of the city's top tackles. Another senior, he is playing his first year as a regular.

Lee Lance—A husky 185-pounder playing his first year of varsity ball here, Lee Lance is another member of the Big Red line. A pre-season candidate for the fullback slot, he was switched to tackle and has been a sparkplug on defense all season.

Bob Bomar—This year's captain, Bob Bomar, operates from the end post opposite Charlie Hawkins; a senior, he is playing his second year as a varsity regular. Off the

field, Bob is a good student and secretary of the senior class.

Billy Joe Ehrhart—In his fourth year as a varsity regular, Billy Joe Ehrhart is the workhorse of the team; as well as filling a slot as a running halfback, he shares punting and passing duties with quarterback Charlie Blackard.

Charlie Blackard—Quarterback Charlie Blackard has given the Maroon cause a big boost this year by his punting, passing, and ball handling in the split-T. Off the gridiron, he is a senior honor council representative and a regular forward on the basketball team.

Jimmy Ray—Fullback Jimmy Ray, only a sophomore, will be around for two more years to bolster the Big Red. In addition to playing fullback on offense, he sometimes is linebacker on defense. On the diamond, Jimmy plays a good game at shortstop.

Bob Graham—A sophomore tackle, who ranks as one of the best potentially on the squad, 165-pound Bob Graham is a former star with the Cierobes and Cooties. A class leader, he was this year elected Sophomore president.

Morris Williams—Formerly a student at Bailey Junior High, which also produced Morris Ferguson and Jimmy Ray, Morris Williams has seen action in several games and is a strong contender for a tackle post in 1949.

Henry Fitts—A reserve who has attended M.B.A. for six years, Henry has been a capable reserve guard for two years. Off the field, he is a good student and the editor of the *Bell Ringer*.

Homer Gibbs—Junior Homer Gibbs, a reserve guard who could be a regular in '49. A husky 165-pounder, this is his third year at M.B.A. after attending Woodmont Grammar School.

Vernon Sharp—Outstanding off and on the field, Vernon Sharp's Senior president the year after having been elected Junior secretary-treasurer and Sophomore vice-president. At guard, he has earned a starting assignment by his ruggedness and steady play.

Ward Lovell—Ward Lovell, a bespectacled end playing his second year on the squad, is small, weighing only 135 pounds, but he still plays quite often because of his scrappy play and good spirit. Popular off the field, he is a good student.

Billy Coble—A junior reserve, end, Billy Coble, will probably see much action in 1949. Six feet one inch tall, he has great possibilities and pass receiver. Popular off the field, Billy was this year elected class secretary for his second consecutive term.

Francis Horn—Another junior, Farmer graduates Francis Horn is a reserve who has seen little action but might be another to watch at end next year. A good student, he is a Junior Honor Council representative.

David Adams—Nephew of Alfred Adams of Vanderbilt fame . . . senior guard, second year on squad, fourth year at M.B.A. . . five-ten, 170 pounds . . . capable reserve, consistent performer . . . 17 years old . . . one of four Adams in school at M.B.A.

Dickie Miller—Capable reserve backfield man, small but fast and elusive runner . . . senior fifth year at M.B.A., second on team . . . five-eight, 145 pounds, 17 years old . . . very good on defense . . . occasionally kicks extra points.

Matt Fitts—Junior, third year at M.B.A., first on team . . . six-foot-one tackle, 16 years old . . .

In one of the most exciting, breath-taking, surprising games witnessed by local prep gridiron followers in recent years, M.B.A.'s Maroons edged Isaac Litton by a score of 20-19 on Thanksgiving Day. The Big Red ran up a two-point advantage in the opening minutes of the third quarter and was never again headed by the out-scored but never out-fought Lions.

The powerful Litton aggregation kicked to the Red team. Forced to punt from their own 37, the Maroons got a break when Billy Joe Ehrhart intercepted a Litton pass on their first play from scrimmage. To no avail, however, for on the ensuing play the Lions recovered an M.B.A. fumble and started to march.

The Big Red line held for four downs at their own 35, only to have Litton recover another fumble and resume their march. The Maroon forewell again held on their own four, but when Blackard attempted to punt out, the kick was blocked and recovered by Litton behind the goal for the initial tally of the day. Big Charley Hawkins, rushed in from his end position and blocked the attempted conversion. After the Lions kicked off to M.B.A., the Maroons bobbled again on their own 29, and in the opening minutes of the second period Litton scored again. The attempted extra was wide. The half ended with the Lions in possession of the ball on their own 31.

After the kickoff Litton punted to the Maroons on their 45. The Maroons express started to roll with the main drive being supplied by Fullback Jimmy Ray. After Blackard threw one to Ehrhart and two to Hawkins, the sophomore fullback rammed over for the first M.B.A. score of the afternoon. Creighton carried the extra across. The Maroons kicked off and held, forcing the Lions to punt on fourth. Billy Worrall gathered the boot in and sidestepped it and twirled his way down the west sideline all the way for another M.B.A. score. Ray took the extra over to give the Big Red team a 14-12 advantage.

In the final quarter each team scored once. The Maroon score came when M.B.A. turned the tables and recovered one of Litton's fumbles on the Lions' 27. Worrall carried it over from the two, but Ehrhart's pass for the extra was incomplete. Litton took the ball on the kickoff and moved, seemingly unstoppable to the M.B.A. 29. A long pass was good for the score and the boot was through the uprights was good to make the score 20-19 in favor of the Red team. Litton held the Maroons on the Lions' 49 and drove the M.B.A. 45 before the game ended.

The game gave the first AA league crown to M.B.A. and Howard, his first perfect season since he has been here as coach.

And after the game, alumni, patrons and friends of the school gave coach a brand new Ford station wagon in appreciation of his fifteen years service.

The second half comeback by a squad that was played off its feet the first half received much comment by the various oldtimers who witnessed the game.

All in all, the game was a fine, although nerve-wracking, way to accustom years of football here on the Hill.

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ON THE POLICY OF THE PAPER

I take this from *Aesop's Fables in Words of One Syllable*
by Mary Godolphin.

The Man, His Son and His Donkey

A man and his son drove their donkey to a fair to sell him. They had not gone far, when one of a group of girls, who stood round a well, said, with a laugh, "Look at those two fools—they let their donkey walk at his ease while they trudge on foot his side." The man heard this and set his son on the beast. They had not gone more than half a mile, when they came up to some old men. "There," said one of these, "that just proves what I say: Nowadays the young take no care of the old; see, that young man rides, while the old man to walk by his side. Get down and let your sire rest his limb." At this the man made his son jump off the Donkey that he might ride him. Thus they went on for a space, when they met three dames. "Why you old sloth," said one of them, "what a shame to sit at ease while that poor slight lad can scarce keep pace by the side of you!" The man then took his son on the croup of the donkey by his side, and so they rode until they got near the town. "Pray, good friend," said a man who met them, "is that donkey your own?" "Why it seems to me more fit that you two should take him to the fair, then he should take you." "Well be it so," said the old man; "we can but try." So they got off, and made fast the legs of the donkey to a pole, which each took hold of one end, and so they went on their way till they came to a bridge. This was a rare sight, and so the boys and girls thought, for they ran in crowds to laugh at the farce, till the donkey—which took fright at the noises—gave a kick which broke the cords that bound him; so he fell in the stream, and sank. The old man then made the best of his way home, and said, "If we try to please all, we please none."

At times it would seem that the staff of the BELL RINGER is in the place of the old man and his son. Teachers say that the paper allows no space for scholastic achievements; students complain that the news stories are dull; everyone has his complaint. If we are not pleasing you let us know; write us a letter or talk to a staff member personally. At any time we are willing to publish any idea, story, poem, or article that has merit. In the meanwhile we will go on in our blundering way trying to best serve the students, alumni, parents, and teachers of M.B.A.

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Class News

Grade School News

Could be—the coming gives an air of distinction to everybody's vocabulary in the grade school when Sinclair Buntin came up with these favorite quotations. It cost him.

When Miss Thompson strays from the chalk line she is immediately prompted by Roger Blackwood, self-appointed secretary.

Frank Bainbridge is still washing his hands from patting Farmer boys on the back as they ran through the line for touchdowns.

Snozz (the Snozzler) Baird is having funds collected for a roast to arouse him in the morning.

Bob Franklin has gone on an early vacation to St. Thomas Hospital for an appendicitis we request that you pay him a short visit.

Since Harold Baird's scooter had a flat tire, Bobby Nichols has been in mourning.

Conversation between Miss Thompson and Bobby Harrison.

Miss Thompson: People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.

Bobby Harrison: But I don't live in a glass house, Miss Thompson.

Signed,
The Street Cleaners, we get all the dirt.

Sophomore News

Well, this week ended with a dull thud. BOB WILK, BILL KING, and CHARLIE HARDIN all received injuries in the annual tidely-winks game with the Blind School. It seems that Bob was hit with a flying tidely-wink and suffered a sprung eyebrow. He says "It wasn't much, but I might be out for the next game." Bill and Charlie will both be wearing their teeth in a watch chain for the next few days because they got in a fight with the referee.

Why have DENZIL CAUSEY and BOB CHERRY acquired such an interest for skating?

BOBBY GRAHAM has made a book shelf and a table for the Latin room. That's what I call real school spirit. Keep up the good work, Bobby.

CHARLIE (I've got some new air horns) ROLFE and JIMMY CHERRY are still going strong. Jimmy says, "There's just one thing that I don't understand about Charlie. Why does he make those faces at me?"

"When is our pool practice to begin?" ask GILBERT TEMPLETON, DILLARD ADAMS, and JOE WORRALL. But COACH CORNELIUS says, "Wait until I can scout Ward-Belmont a little more." BILL PURYEAR, who has lettered two times, wants to know where he can buy a left-handed pool shoe.

"TEX" HOOD thinks JACKIE JACKSON is a pretty smart fellow, and that's good enough for us, isn't it, boys?

Once upon a time there was a song named, "Who threw the overalls in Mrs. Murphy's chowder?" This has been revised by the MBA faculty to read, "Who dumped the pencil sharpener on Mr. Younger's desk?" I wonder why—ah?

Congratulations are in order to EDDIE MOATES who is the proud papa of a 1948 Studebaker.

BOB C.: Fifteen cents surely enabled us to have a good time, didn't it?

C. G.: It surely did. I wonder how my little brother spent the money.

Did DICK CARPENTER say Latin was hard? Well, if he did, I think he should have his truthful little mouth washed out with soap. It is picked up from the local grapevine that EDDIE DECK, WADE RILEY, and BILL STONE have gone on a fly-catching expedition to the unknown parts of the science building. Bring 'em back alive.

That's all there is;
There ain't no more
Of the jolly doings
By this sophomore.

Junior News

With the close of football season we find such virile Juniors as Carl Gates, Billy Coble, and Charlie ("I'm turnin' pro after this year.") Hawkins daily astounding the basketball world with their amazing talents. Not to be excluded from this select group is Set-shot (most-ly shot) Gibb who has again announced to one and all that he is definitely varsity material and will have to be shown otherwise. Coach is reported planning to show otherwise.

Another person (?) eagerly awaiting basketball season is the dean of cheerleaders, Billy Sneed, who claims that once inside he can really display his marvelous coordination. Says Billy, "I just wish the others would come to keep up."

Burning the midnight oil some weeks ago for the year's first book report were 50 bleary-eyed Juniors. The form of the report was, as usual, simple and required only that it be eight pages longer than the Encyclopedia Britannica. A glance at Lytton's masterpiece revealed areas of ignorance never before dreamed of, while Todd was heard to mumble, "Bitzer, Shmitzer, Mein Gott, I'm going mad!" Seen having a gay old time at a recent shindig at Brer Oman's were such pictures of passion as Robert McNeilly, Marion Smith, Francis Horn, Billy Bryan and several others too far gone to identify. Life (or should I say "death") of the party was Eight-Cushion Wood, who spent the night drowning his sorrows with two jugs of diluted cider. Lonely but loaded!

Elsewhere in the social world our fellow inmates are gleefully looking forward to the Christmas Holidays and two weeks of freedom. Their plans, of course, vary widely but all agree that any form of study is absurd and out of the question. (What's that you say, R. L.? Off the paper staff for good?)

In closing I wish to again remind you lest you forget our affectionate pets in the moat on Christmas Day.

Senior News

News Flash!! B. (Bloody Nose) Chickey has been heard recently bragging about his fighting ability. Price and Miller say that he has been breaking knuckles left and right with his face. Chickey hurried to mail in his application for the Golden Gloves.

Coach White and Bivins are seriously thinking about accepting Coach Allen's invitation to play his lush eleven in the Half-Pint Bowl December 32, 1948. It'll all add up to a moving tilt.

"On Guard" Cornelius has agreed to give the football team lessons in fencing before they go back to Tullahoma. Quotes "On Guard": "Why I beat the three musketeers single handed!"

Lee Lance is puzzled. He can't figure out how he ended up 250 points in the hole on Mrs. B's latest test. Quotes Lee, "Somebody needs to brush up on HEE math."

Burch is rapidly learning how to drive with one arm. That Packard is hard to enough to control, let alone the other.

Spickard bets Wilkerson on Parley. Clears up.

"Admiral" Blackie is preparing to shove off in his battlewagon USS Hubbard up White's Creek toward Annapolis.

Fess Hackman: What do you know about nitrater?

Joe Erwin: They've cheaper than day-rates.

Letters To The Editor

While I'm not one of "the few girls" from whom the editors of the *Bell Ringer* particularly would prefer having mail for the proposed "Letters to the Editor Column," I AM eligible in that: (1) I used to be a girl, (2) I am an ex-teacher, and (3) I am keenly interested in MBA, its students, and its welfare.

Somehow, I'd like to make you realize what an exceptional school you have. You see, since I've been going to high school almost all of my life in one category or another, I know whereof I speak when I say that MBA is a wonderful place to spend one's days. I'm not there now, so I can brag about your teaching staff. When I left, the blot was removed from the escutcheon! (Even an ex-English teacher can indulge in a fitting cliché.) If only you will allow it to "take," you at MBA can receive a preparatory training far above what the average school has to offer.

But, I digress. My main object at starting was to comment upon something I read in the last issue of the *Bell Ringers*. "An honor system would really work if honor meant as much to each present day student as it did to Sam Davis." That is the most cogent statement I have heard made or seen written concerning MBA's honor system, and I think that you can be proud that it originated with a member of the student body.

What a really great heritage the men of MBA possess! Surely no present student would do less than our hero, Sam Davis, were he placed in similar circumstances. However, not everyone is given such a great privilege as he. But each of you in your own way can be just as great, just as worthy of praise as is Sam Davis. To be honorable in one's everyday relations with his fellow man is far harder and far more commendable than to be honorable when the band is playing and the guns are firing. It takes a really big person to be honorable when there seems little chance of recognition from the world. If each of you will think often on this one statement made by John, I'm sure that the honor system will become as great a tradition of the student body.

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"MAROON HIGHLIGHTS"

By RASCOE DAVIS

Competing with Dick Thorpe, Billy Carpenter and other prominent eloquentist for top honor in the speaking department are Charley Hawkins and Billy Joe Ehrhart both of whom confined their answer to Yes sir and No sir.

With four of last year's first string returning, this year basketball team should definitely be potential state champions.

The Maroons will open their slate against Hope High at the first game. The Maroons are expected to be one of the strongest in Georgia.

M.B.A.'s first cheerleaders were four selfish boys who in '44 at half time jumped down and led the stands in show for the Maroon basketball team. This year our cheerleaders are more organized and more numerous. Our next step should be to acquire the spirit to back them!

M.B.A. defensively looked as bad as it ever has this year against Cohn. Our offense, although it wasn't tops, seemed to be in partly good condition.

The basketball intramurals were such a success last year under the Key Club's sponsorship that many requests have been made for the Club to once again organize this. How about it, boys?

This year parade through town to Isaac Litton promises to be most colorful competing for honors in the best decorated car contest will be Franklin Jarman, Bronson Ingram and Charlie Rolf.

Our thanks to Togy Jones for organizing and promoting the student's trip to Tullahoma. Our suggestions is that somebody teach Cooner how to play the harmonica.

Playing probably the toughest schedule in the history of the school M.B.A. have announced for the first time 11 straight victories. This keeps this slate a perfect 1000, A mark for which most high school coaches would give their eyeteeth.

The large percentage of losses by this year Cootie team may be explained by the fact that all but three of the members of Fess Hackman's squad were freshmen. Next year's team however should be one of the best in the city.

And while we're looking into the future and making predictions we will release the staff's choice for the '49 football team. In the line Hawkins, Ferguson, McNeilly, Graham, Cohn, Gibbs and Horn. In the backfield Worrall, Wray, Bryan and Miller or Blackard.

The Maroon netters will journey to Darlington this year to seek revenge for two straight losses to the Tigers. The tennis team is expected to win as the first eight men on Darlington's team have graduated.

Full recognition is due to Manager Carl Gates, Assistant Manager Fontaine McDaniel and water-boy Louis Todd for the splendid job they've done this year. It would be difficult for the football team to operate without these behind-the-scene workers.

Was that BoyScout leading the Santa Claus Parade Charley Hawkins?

Maroons Name All-Opponent Squad; Mid-State Represented

In a meeting the football team named M.B.A.'s all-opponent team. The selections broke about even with representatives from teams in the Mid-State area, as well as Inter-Scholastic league adversaries. Tullahoma, Springfield, and DuPont gained 2 spots each with 3 going to Ryan, and one each given to T.L.S. and Clarksville. Litton and Cohn had not met the Big Red prior to these selections. Below is

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Junior Varsity Ends Season

Starting out their 1948 season, the junior Varsity of M.B.A. appeared to have a fair line, a good backfield, and a good passing attack. Made up of freshmen and eighth graders (who comprised two-thirds of the team), Cooties lost five games, only one of which was a bad loss.

The first game of the season the Maroons met an experienced DuPont eleven, big and fast, and would have gained a scoreless tie but for a last period fumble on the Maroon 17-yard line. Again in their third game M.B.A. fumbled on their own four yard line to this same DuPont team and again lost a chance for a scoreless tie.

At C.M.A. the J.V. met second and third string varsity players the whole first half and their freshman and sophomore team the second half. The varsity subs had built up too much of a lead, and the Middle Red lost 28-14.

T.L.S. had a rugged, fast team with an excellent passing attack. Their passer, operating off the T, completed close to twelve passes with all their touchdowns either scored or set up by passes. M.B.A.'s attack got started in the second half, and they rolled to two touchdowns with Eddie Moates' end around and Jackie Duncan's cruise into the line being the main ground gainers.

Clarksville was the hardest game for the Cooties this season.

They had beaten Hopkinsville 83-7 the previous week and they downed M.B.A. 25-0. However an intercepted pass in the flat cost the Maroons seven points. The game was closer than the score indicated. With Moates and Riley driving inside the twenty yard line on successive end arounds, a penalty of fifteen yards was called against M.B.A. After Blackwood completed a pass to Moates on the twelve, the Wildcats held.

It must be said that the Junior Varsity tried hard to overcome its disadvantage of being younger and having less experience than most of its opponents, and it looks as if Coach Allen has some promising material coming up next year.

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heritage for future generations at M.B.A. as Sam Davis and our other heroes have become for you!

I'm proud to have been a part of M.B.A. and all it stands for. I'm sure that I shall never have reason to regret that pride.

Congratulations to the football team. They just don't play your brand of football down here, Coach. But, oh! this heavenly climate!

Devotedly,
Miss Mac
Jean McCanless

Split-T Carries Red All The Way

For the second time since Howard Allen took over the coaching reins at M.B.A. in 1934, one of his football teams has gone undefeated and untied in the regular season. As a result the Maroons met Isaac Litton on Thanksgiving Day to determine the AA loop title winner. As this season is brought to a successful close, the Bell Ringer would like to review the season and again touch on its highlights.

The new M.B.A. split T formation was first displayed at Hopkinsville, Kentucky on the night of September 18, and rolled to a 21-14 victory. Jimmy Ray crossed the double stripe from eleven yards out midway through the first quarter for the first Maroon score of the year, and Bobby Worrall added the extra. The Big Red got 14 more points in the final quarter, with Billy Joe Ehrhart scoring a TD and two extras and Jimmy Ray getting another touchdown. The Cats knotted the score twice, once in the third quarter and once in the fourth quarter before they were overcome. Maroon hopes for the season were greatly lowered when Ray broke his hand in the last quarter, taking him out of the lineup for two weeks.

On the following Friday night, the Maroons came home to face West, who was rated a potential crown contender at the time. After the Jay line held the Maroons on the West five to make the first quarter scoreless, Bobby Worrall struck paydirt in the opening minutes of the second period, but Ehrhart's extra attempt failed. Midway through the period, however, Billy Joe went over from the West 21, and Blackard passed to Bomar for the extra. In the third period Blackard joined the scoring parade, and in the final quarter Billy Joe went over again. Then in the fading minutes Hawkins jumped on a blocked West kick behind the Jays' goal line to add two more points to the Maroon total. Final score M.B.A. 28, West 0.

The Maroons again hit the road on the night of October 1, this time journeying to T.L.S. where they took the Busters 34-0. The Big Red

Maroons Open Cage Wars

M.B.A. will open their basketball season against Hope High of Atlanta Friday night. Little is known of Hope's strength, but they are expected to be a worthy adversary for the Big Red. This year the Academy has two sets of uniforms. One set is white trimmed in red while the other is just the opposite.

From here, the starting lineup looks like this:

Charlie Hawkins	C
Don Wade	F
Jimmy Morrissey	G
Bobby Worrall	G
Billy Cohn	F

scored in all periods, getting one touchdown in the first quarter, one in the second, two in the third, and one in the final period. Worrall got the first one and Blackard passed to Bomar for the extra. Creighton got the second TD, but Blackard's extra attempt was turned back. In the third quarter Ehrhart got one tally and the extra and passed to Hawkins for another. Blackard got the second extra. In the final quarter Blackard, standing behind his own goal line, hit Hawkins 15 yards out, whence the lanky end went all the way. Blackard then hit Bomar for the extra to end the scoring for the night.

Playing away from home for the second straight week, the Big Red went out to DuPont to down the Bulldogs 12-0 on the following Friday night. In the scoreless first quarter Maroon supporters were given a genuine scare when quarterback Charley Blackard was injured. A sprained leg kept him out for several weeks following. In the second period Ehrhart unlimbered a throwing arm that many people did not know he had and tossed a passed Bomar all alone on the DuPont 25. The M.B.A. captain crossed the goal line untouched. Miller's attempt to boot the extra was no good. Although the third period was scoreless, we cannot pass without mentioning John Roberts' game-saving run. The Bulldogs had managed to bull their way to the M.B.A. one-yard line after recovering a fumble on the Maroon 24. It looked as if nothing could prevent their scoring. Then unfolded a play right out of the movies. The snail from the DuPont center was high. The fullback hit the ball with his hands, deflecting it backwards and upwards. And lumbering through the Bulldog line like a tank came John Roberts. He caught the ball before it hit the ground and ran it out to the M.B.A. 30 before he was tackled from behind. If any one lineman ever won a ball game singlehanded, it was John. In the final quarter Billy Joe hit paydirt again to end the scoring for the night.

On the following Friday night the Maroons traveled to North, where they expected to gain an easy victory. After Andy Spickard, playing quarterback in the absence of Blackard, had opened the scoring in the first quarter and Creighton had supplied the extra, the Big Red was scored upon for the first time in league play for the year when speedy Odell Binkley shook loose from the M.B.A. 45 and went all the way. The Yanks failed to convert. This second to shake some of the lethargy from the Maroons. Billy Joe scored two TD's in the third quarter and one in the final period. Ray got the first extra, and Miller booted the other to end the scoring for the night. M.B.A. 27, North 6.

Returning home Friday night, October 22, the Big Red encountered the ever-dangerous Purple Panthers of Father Ryan, emerging with a 28-13 victory. Ryan promptly gave notice of their danger when they crossed the double stripe in the first quarter for the initial tally of the game. The extra was no good. The aroused Maroon squad came back the second period with Hawkins scoring and Ehrhart getting the extra. In the third quarter M.B.A. lengthened its advantage when Billy Joe went all the way on the first play from scrimmage, and Blackard tossed to Bomar for the extra; Ehrhart again scored and then tossed to Blackard for the point after the touchdown. The final period saw the Maroons and the Panthers get seven apiece. Ehrhart got the six-pointer, and Blackard again tossed to Bomar for the extra to end the scoring for the night.

The following week M.B.A. met Springfield, undefeated and only by Litton, scored on only once. Ehrhart score six points and Creighton one in the opening period. In the second quarter the Yellow Jackets took advantage of two Maroon fumbles to score twice in five minutes, with one of the extras being good. Things looked dark for the Big Red at halftime. Then in the last half the Big Red started to roll, scoring a touchdown in each quarter. Ehrhart passed to Blackard and Worrall ran for the two TD's, with Creighton ramming both extras over. Final score was M.B.A. 31, Springfield 13.

The Big Red eleven then hit the road again for the final time during the season, going to Tullahoma the night of November 6. After a scoreless first period, Blackard rammed one over in the fading minutes of the half. The third quarter was scoreless, but Worrall and Ehrhart got a tally apiece in the final period. M.B.A. 18, Tullahoma 0.

On the night of November 12 Alumni Night was observed at M.B.A. with the team engaging Clarksville. In the first quarter Blackard passed to Worrall, who scored, and Creighton took the extra over. In the second period Blackard passed to Ehrhart, who went over from the 25. Clarksville came back promptly to score their lone TD of the night. Blackard led the game in the third period with another score, and Creighton got the extra to end the night's scoring. M.B.A. 26, Clarksville 6.

For their final game the Big Red took on Cohn, defending league champs. Playing at Andrews Field, the Maroons subdued a surprisingly strong team 35-13. Taking the ball on the opening kickoff, Cohn drove 80 yards to score. The extra was turned back. The Big Red then started rolling, scoring two touchdowns in the second quarter. Ehrhart passed to Bomar for the first one, and Blackard tossed an aerial into the captain's arms for the second. Creighton took both extras over. Ehrhart and Worrall scored once each in the third period, with the Tigers going over once. Blackard threw to Hawkins for one extra and ran the other one over. In the final minutes of the game Worrall intercepted a Cohn aerial on his own 15 yard line and went all the way. Jimmy Ray booted the extra.

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Personality of the Month



Bobby Bomar

One of the most popular and outstanding boys at M.B.A. is Senior Bobby Bomar. Although he has attended M.B.A. only since he was a sophomore, he has been outstanding in studies as well as athletic and student activities.

To start the ball rolling he went to Hillsboro where he was president of his homeroom and played varsity football. Then his Sophomore year he came to our grand old school, M.B.A. He played varsity football and was always on the Honor Roll (smart boy). Then his junior year he really got to going. He was on the Honor counsel and played good first stringer football. His senior year he is secretary-treasurer of the senior class and captain of the team (and the year is not up.) He is also in the Monogram Club which is a high honor.

And so in conclusion to sum Bobby up. We think he is the model boy, student, sportsman and everything else rolled up in one big handsome boy. Good luck Bobby in everything you do.

ALL OPPONENT

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the Maroon's All-Opponent Squad for '48.

End—Jones, Tullahoma.
Tackle—Lincoln, Tullahoma.
Guard—Boles, Springfield.
Center—Gaylor, T.I.S.
Back—Young, Ryan.
Back—Cron, Springfield.
Back—Johnson, Clarksville.
Back—Smith, Dupont.
Guard—Wilson, Ryan.
Tackle—Etter, Dupont.
End—Sullivan, Ryan.

YOUR MAROONS

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155 pounds . . . will probably figure prominently in next year's forward wall.

Morris Ferguson—Heaviest regular, 190 pounds . . . six feet tall, 16 years old . . . guard, outstanding on offense and defense . . . Second year at M.B.A. first squad . . . constantly improving . . . missed a couple of games because of leg injury . . . Junior.

Ernest Franklin—Five-ten, 150 pounds . . . Senior in his sixth year at M.B.A. . . guard, good on defense . . . second year on team . . . one of the lightest and fastest men on squad . . . injured in Springfield game and sidelined two weeks . . . 18 years old.

Charlie Hawkins—Wonderful college prospect . . . six-three, 185 pounds . . . Junior in school, third year on team . . . 1948 All-City end . . . excellent pass receiver, stand-out on defense, covers kicks splendidly . . . may be T-quarterback in '49 . . . a great competitive spirit . . . 16 years old.

Bobby Worral—Son of Bobby Worral, Sr., MBA great . . . five-nine, 156 pounds . . . Junior, third year in varsity backfield . . . a scabbard in every sense of the word . . . good coordination, quick reflexes . . . second team 1948 All-City . . . suffered broken hand midway in season . . . 17 years old.

Don Wade—Brother of famed Bill . . . hard hitting center, excellent defensive player . . . Senior, fifth year at M.B.A., first on team . . . second team 1948 All-City . . . plays practically all the time in every game . . . 17 years old . . . an A student.

Bob Van Arsdall—Reserve half-back . . . Senior fourth year at MBA, first on team . . . six feet, 160 pounds . . . powerful and well-built . . . Sub for Bobby Worral . . . 17 years old.

Andy Spickard—Understudy for Quarterback Charley Blackard . . . performed creditably while Blackard was injured . . . good runner . . . fourth year at M.B.A., second on team . . . Senior, five-nine, 145 pounds, 17 years old.

Elly Joe Ehrhart: "Do you serve crabs here, waiter?"
Waiter: "Yes, sir. We serve anyone. Be with you in just a moment."

—West Wind

Horn and Jarman Pace Mid-Study Hall Chickenhouse Ratings This Week

In view of their explosive performance in study hall Huston Horn and Franklin Jarman are in a virtual tie for first place in the Chickenhouse ratings. Of course Chickenhouse is better known for his difference by score football ratings (parlay card average .000) This week, however, the famous doctor has agreed to predict the next demerit list. The doctor is not taking up demerits as a permanent subject, but only as a fill in between football and basketball. Horn leads Jarman by .1% with all other contenders falling far behind. The Big Ten is as follows:

1. Huston Horn 115.9
2. Franklin Jarman 115.8
3. Dillard Adams 91.5
4. Lewis Woods 90.0
5. Jack Todd 87.4
6. Fontain McDaniel 84.8
7. Lee Lance 81.8
8. Homer Gibbs 80.2
9. Mack Dixon 72.5
10. Joe Tenison 70.3

In explaining the ratings Chickenhouse said that there have been many upsets throughout the Mid-Study Hall area. For example, such contenders for the title as Bill Price and Elly Joe Ehrhart have been unable to devote all their time to demerits because of football. When asked about this condition these lads only asserted their desire to push up in the ratings as soon as the football season is over. Lee Lance was heard to state, "If you have to run big scores to get the championship that's what I'll have to do." Some of the more important contests that may effect current ratings are those involving: Lance vs. Mrs. Ritzer; Fontain McDaniel vs. Mr. Younger; Huston Horn vs. Mr. Sager; Dillard Adams vs. Mr. Hood; Joe Erwin vs. Mr. Rule, and Jack Todd vs. Anybody.

BOTTOM

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locker. Team adopts new mascot. Names it Fifi La Feline . . . R.T.C. makes humorous talk in assembly. Language students chuckle in halls. Grades soar . . . Horn and Erwin visit Harry James. Poverty visits Horn and Erwin . . . Isn't Joe White generous to let the other boy drive his car on double-dates? Quotes Joe: "She's a large enough arm-full without the steering wheel too!" . . . Milam's English grade rises after date with C. H. . . Shakespeare flunks Macbeth test . . . News item: Buzzy Davis drops parlay card. Good-bye, Mr. Chips . . . Let us part you with the leaving thought: Don't study English more than 24 hours a day. You might learn something.



A drunk went into the Automat for the first time. He watched for a few minutes. Then he walked over, put a coin in the slot and out came a beef stew. He put in another coin and out came soup. Another coin and out came biscuits. He kept putting coins in and piling the food on a table. As he was about to put another coin in up came the manager.
"Listen, you've got enough to eat there."
"No, I ain't going to quit in the middle of a winning streak."

Elly Watts: "A sea gull swaved and landed on a channel marker."
Bill Price: "So what?"
Billy Watts: "Buoy meets gull."

Bob Bomar: "I'm kinda hungry. Will you join me in this bowl of soup?"

J. G.: Sure. But do you think there's room in it for both of us.

"Darling, there's a peddler out here with a mustache."
Tell him we don't want any."

"Gee, it's my wife's birthday. I'd like to give her a present. I'd like to surprise her."

"Why don't you give her a dress?"

"I gave her a dress last year. This year I'd like to give her the slip."

The hillbilly quartet ended the program with a heart-rending rendition of, "She May Be a Moon-shiner's Daughter, But I Love Her Still."

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